

# Electric Energy Training for Air Regulatory and Planning Staff US EPA-OAQPS

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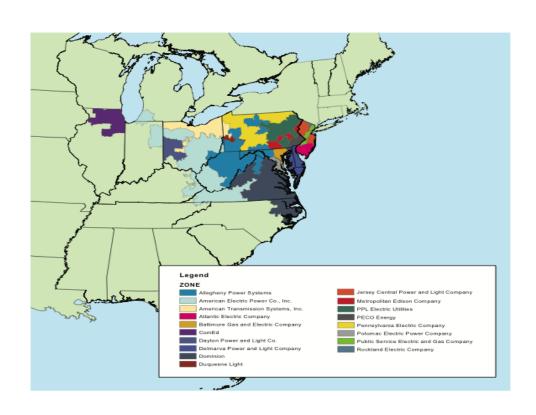
## Topic Four D

Regional Issues in Attributing Benefits

#### Regional Issues

- EE and air quality benefits may occur in different AQMA
- Also true for RE and air quality
  - RECs are not geographically constrained
- Thoughts on how to address EE

# PJM Transmission Map





# Regional Impacts from State EE and RE Programs

- EE/RE projects can focus on:
  - A load zone (i.e., one AQMA)
  - Be dispersed throughout the state
  - For RE: be installed in another state, and the credits flow to the state which made the investment
  - For EE: be installed in one state, but cause generators in another state(s) to decrease or change their capacity

### Regional Emissions Pool?

- How could EPA acknowledge EE which affects generation in another state?
- Late 1990s: NOx budget program had regional set-asides.
- Transmission operators track RECs regionally today.
- New England and PJM: EE qualifies as a resource and must meet same standards as generator